

REMARKS

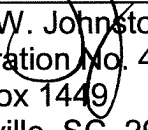
The Office Action provisionally rejected original claims 1, 2, 5-9, 23, 24, 52-54, 56, 68-70, and 72-74 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over certain claims of copending Application No. 10/686,938 entitled "Method for Reducing Odor Using Metal-Modified Silica Particles." In this regard, enclosed is a terminal disclaimer to obviate this rejection.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in complete condition for allowance and favorable action, therefore, is respectfully requested. Examiner George is invited and encouraged to telephone the undersigned, however, should any issues remain after consideration of this response.

Please charge any additional fees required by this Response to Deposit Account No. 04-1403.

Respectfully requested,

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